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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK
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IN RE LOWER MANHATTAN DISASTER SITE
LITIGATION
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PETER B. BAILON,

Civil Action No.:

NOTICE OF ADOPTION

Plaintiff(s),

- against -

90 CHURCH STREET LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, ALAN KASMAN DBA KASCO, AMBIENT GROUP, INC., ANN TAYLOR STORES CORPORATION, BANKERS TRUST COMPANY, BATTERY PARK CITY AUTHORITY, BELFOR USA GROUP, INC., BLACKMON-MOORING-STEAMATIC CATASTOPHE, INC. D/B/A BMS CAT, BROOKFIELD FINANCIAL PROPERTIES, INC., BROOKFIELD FINANCIAL PROPERTIES, LP, BROOKFIELD PARTNERS, LP, BROOKFIELD PROPERTIES CORPORATION, BROOKFIELD PROPERTIES HOLDINGS INC., BT PRIVATE CLIENTS CORP., DEUTSCHE BANK TRUST COMPANY, DEUTSCHE BANK TRUST COMPANY AMERICAS, DEUTSCHE BANK TRUST CORPORATION, ENVIROTECH CLEAN AIR, INC., GPS ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS, INC., HILLMAN ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP, LLC., INDOOR ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNOLOGY, INC., KASCO RESTORATION SERVICES CO., MERRILL LYNCH & CO, INC., NOMURA HOLDING AMERICA, INC., NOMURA SECURITIES INTERNATIONAL, INC., STRUCTURE TONE (UK), INC., STRUCTURE TONE GLOBAL SERVICES, INC., THE BANK OF NEW YORK TRUST COMPANY NA, TISHMAN

INTERIORS CORPORATION, TOSCORP INC., WESTON SOLUTIONS, INC., WFP TOWER B CO. G.P. CORP.,

Defendant(s).

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COUNSELORS:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that defendants, ANN TAYLOR STORES CORPORATION, as and for their responses to the allegations set forth in the Complaint by Adoption (Check-Off Complaint) related to the Master Complaint filed in the above-referenced action, hereby adopts ANN TAYLOR STORES CORPORATION's Answer to the Master Complaint dated August 8, 2007, which was filed in the matter of *In Re World Trade Center Lower Manhattan Disaster Site Litigation*, 21 MC 102 (AKH).

To the extent that ANN TAYLOR STORES CORPORATION's, Answer to the Master

Complaint does not comprehensively address any of the specific allegations within the Check-Off

Complaint in the above-captioned matter, ANN TAYLOR STORES CORPORATION denies

knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of such specific allegations.

WHEREFORE, ANN TAYLOR STORES CORPORATION demands judgment dismissing the above-captioned action as against it, together with its costs and disbursements.

Dated: New York, New York October 3, 2007

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